

Advocate Raising The Wheat Ceiling

LINE ELEVATORS URGE
WHEAT CEILING OF \$1.35

Uniform wheat price ceiling for all Canada of \$1.26 per bushel basis One Northern delivered at Montreal is urged in a brief submitted to Ottawa by the North-West Line Elevators Association. The government recently set a price ceiling for Ontario wheat of \$1.26 per bushel. The indicated ceiling for western wheat is 82 1/2 cents per bushel, unless action is taken by the government to set a higher ceiling price.

In a submission to the chairman of the wartime price and trade board the Line Elevators Association states:

"On November 19th we communicated with your board regarding the ceiling price for wheat. At that time we urged that special consideration be given wheat in view of the fact that wheat was selling at depressed prices in the base period chosen by the government for setting ceiling prices."

"Subsequently the Canadian Wheat Board, acting as administrator on behalf of the wartime prices and trade board, issued an order defining the maximum price at which Ontario wheat might be sold in eastern Canada as \$1.26 per bushel, basis delivered at Montreal. This was the highest price at which wheat sold in the base period between September 15 and October 11, 1941."

"In view of the action already taken by your board in respect to Ontario wheat and having regard to the superior milling value of western spring wheat we feel that the ceiling price of wheat for all Canada should not be less than the price of \$1.26 per bushel basis One Northern delivered Montreal. This Northern delivered Montreal. This would make the ceiling price at Fort William and Vancouver a minimum of approximately \$1.10 per bushel."

"Our Association again desires to state that it recognizes the absolute necessity of price controls which have been established. We, however, wish to draw to the attention of your board the fact that wheat prices have largely been subject to government control for several years. The depressed prices prevailing at the time ceilings were established; the national importance of wheat in the domestic economy of the West; the fact that the export sale price is controlled by government policy as expressed through the Canadian Wheat Board, all coupled with the fact that wheat cannot be grown profitably at prices which prevailed in Western Canada during the base

News of Our Boys

Ed Sharkey arrived home on furlough from Halifax on January 9th.

Delbert Coffin was home on January 10 on a short leave.

Billie Miles was home on leave from Camrose the first of this week.

Lieut. C. Greenberg, while home on leave last Tuesday, received orders to proceed to Camp Borden for duty.

Albert District News

All the Albert students and teachers have returned to work after a lively holiday in the district. A number of the young people attended the New Year's eve dance in Irma. The following evening Mrs. Ivan Currie entertained the young people at a turkey dinner and on Friday night Mrs. Baras was hostess at a most enjoyable party for them.

The opening night in a series of three social evenings in aid of the Red Cross last Friday, January 9, was well attended. Contests in bridge, five hundred and crokinole were begun and prizes will be given for each on the last night, January 23.

The Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Hardy on Jan. 8. Letters were read from the merchant sailor who received the ditty bag from Albert and from an English W.I. to whom a gift of tea had been sent. The ladies then spent the time in completing a quilt, the top of which had been placed by Mrs. Hardy. Mrs. Miller won the raffle. Mrs. Hardy served lunch.

Mrs. N. Babji has returned from Edmonton where she underwent an operation for goitre.

Mr. T. Ellwood is expected home from Lamont hospital where he has been for some weeks.

period fully justifies equal consideration and treatment concerning the price ceiling on western spring wheat.

It would appear that price ceilings will be with us for some time to come and we think it important the fact should be established that there should be no discrimination between the price of western spring wheat and Ontario wheat. We urge your board, therefore, to issue an order defining the price ceiling for wheat for all Canada as \$1.26 per bushel basis Montreal, subject to reconsideration being given annually in the light of crop production and costs.

"The establishment and announcement of this ceiling would clarify the situation for wheat producers."

World's Week

By HAROLD L. WEIR

Associate Editor and Daily Columnist of the Edmonton Bulletin

America's heavy sacrifices in the Philippines have served to blunt and delay Japan's long-prepared effort to seize the British and Dutch empires.

Manila's agency has protected their East Indies colonies and Australia from the annihilating blow which could have been delivered had the forces of Gen. Douglas MacArthur been unable to interpose resistance to the death.

Had the American and Filipino soldiers collapsed before the Japanese blitz, it is certain that many troop transports and aircraft, whose concentration upon Singapore and Borneo fronts may soon be expected would already be here where pressure is already great.

Although the Philippine defeat makes part of America suffer what little countries like Norway, Belgium and Poland have known, this sacrifice has at least accomplished one thing:

America in sacrificing the Philippines has cleared her debt to Great Britain for delaying Hitler's plans of world conquest.

Although her loss is heavier in territorial terms than anything Britain has yet suffered, and Manila's fate under Japanese bombs equally pitiless in human terms with the days when the blitz fell upon London, America has taken her wounds proudly and will avenge them thoroughly.

With Russia handling the Reichsmar and most of the Luftwaffe and the Egyptian situation progressing smoothly, Britain's situation—provided the principal Pacific responsibility be regarded as America's—is now coming into a securer form despite the steady advance of the Japanese army down the Malayan peninsula.

In the territorial world balance, Britain is actually ahead for without more of her own soil than the channel islands, she has won valuable Italian colonies in Eritrea and Somaliland thus insuring permanent freedom of the Red Sea passage to India.

America, however, until today the golden boy of the Allies, starts the war with two called strikes.

Without footholds of her own in the south Pacific she is about to undertake the defence of the British and Dutch colonies that are the principal sources of income of their empires.

The American Philippines has been the price of the delaying action which has saved India, Burma, Malaya and Dutch Indonesia.

Hong Kong could not help Manila and Singapore has been too busy saving herself to venture across the south China sea.

The time is probably at hand for overhauling the Pacific political situation complementary to war strategy. The first step in such a plan would be the immediate creation of American air and naval bases from Singapore southward under a permanent American flag and administration.

Even the most ungenerous isolationists will admit from Japan's behavior and ideology that the United States is faced in the Pacific with a permanent and not temporary problem.

Japan's defeat, like Germany's will probably be the signal for the same period of national renaissance as Germany has demonstrated under Hitler.

The United States, which dodged long-term political commitments in Europe after World War I, cannot escape them in the Pacific this time. Security will demand far stronger insular footholds than before Japan dropped her mask.

Some bases will be provided by slow conquest from Japan but not enough. Japan will be difficult to down

Wedding Bells

RANSAY — NASH

A quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized in Calgary at the Pentecostal Manse on Friday, January 9th at 8:30 p.m. when Miss Leela Catherine, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Nash of Irma became the bride of Mr. John Gordon Ramsay, fourth son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Ramsay also of Irma.

The Rev. George R. Upton officiated at the ceremony.

The bride was lovely in a floor length gown of white net and lace over satin with silver accessories, and carried a bouquet of sweetheart roses and maiden hair fern. She was attended by her sister Mrs. Ace Cleveland, who wore a becoming gown of blue silk crepe with matching accessories and a corsage of roses.

Mr. Hugh Reid of Turner Valley acted as best man.

The happy couple will make their home in Turner Valley where the groom is employed by the James Trucking Company.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of our beloved husband and father, John Frank James who passed away, January 14th, 1941.

We miss him, yes, we miss him from the circle and our home. It was our wish to keep him. But our Savior called him home. Always remembered by loving wife and family.

and if Britain and Holland want her held down—being patently unable to do this and handle Germany in Europe too—they will look to the United States to do it.

Unless, however, they proffer the United States workshops on a permanent plan in the form of American owned or leased air and naval bases, the Pacific pattern is likely to remain as unstable as the European.

The single unsatisfactory feature of the Washington talks between the A B C D powers is that they seem bound to the world War No. 1 pattern.

Once more the United States is grappling with the complex and costly problem of an overseas campaign.

Unable this time to pass immediately to the offensive, she must begin with operating from foreign bases in the defence of her Allies colonies.

The recovery of her own losses must be subordinate to the protection of her threatened Allies.

Coming not as an intercessor but as an underdog the United States cannot accept any peace but total victory. Such blunders as gave the Ladrones or Boni Islands to Japan under "mandate" as a sweetener for dissolution of the 1922 Anglo-Japanese military alliance—thus erecting a picket fence between the Philippines and the American fleet based at Hawaii—are unthinkable this time.

Meanwhile, Britain carries on her battle of the Mediterranean and the African and Indian ocean trade routes.

Britain has her Gibraltar, Malta, Haifa, Cyprus, Alexandria; her Freeport, Lagos, Capetown, Durban, Aden, Suva; her Karachi, Ceylon, Calcutta, Rangoon and Singapore.

America has 99-year British leases in the Atlantic but nothing adequate in the Pacific but Hawaii.

When meeting an antagonist like Japan with a vast merchant marine for troop transport and a powerful navy rich in aircraft carriers the United States needs commensurate bases, particularly in the south China sea.

The defensive footing upon which the Dutch, British and Australian ports will be placed now must endure after the war and enforce the peace.

A two ocean navy must have two ocean bases for a two ocean peace.

This paper invites its readers to listen to the Saturday Night Review which is broadcast by Harold L. Weir every Saturday night at 8:15 over CFRN (1260kc).

Pioneer Resident, Mrs. N. L. Fuder, Passes Away January 9th

The whole district was saddened by the sudden passing of one of its earlier residents, Mrs. N. L. Fuder who died at her old home at Coal Springs on Friday, January 9th, 1942. Mrs. Fuder, formerly Minnie Louisa Knudson was born in DeSmet, South Dakota, Jan. 8, 1890 later moving to Minnesota with her parents at the age of 15 years.

She married Nathan L. Fuder, January 7th, 1909 and came to Irma in May of the same year. Funeral services were held in the Irma United Church on Monday afternoon, January 12th.

Rev. Stolee, Lutheran Minister of Viking conducting the services, assisted by Rev. Longmire of Irma. The pall bearers were her three brothers, Martin, Fred and Albert two brothers-in-law, Jack Halvorsen and Marvin Reitan, and a very close friend of the family Harry Halvorsen.

She leaves to mourn her loss besides her husband, one daughter, Mrs. Obert Lovis, and five sons, Harold, Floyd, Roy, Earl and Lawrence; also her father and mother Mr. and Mrs. H. Knudson and thirteen grandchildren. Interment took place in the Irma cemetery.

Floral tributes were received from the following: Loving husband; Obert, Mabel and family; Harold, Jennie and family; Floyd, Ruby and family; Earl, Roy and Jan; Lawrence and Helen; Father and mother; Martin, Ethel, Merle and Melvin; Merlyn, Helen and boys; Fred and Annie; Albert, Mary, Lewis and Doris; Jack and Hattie; Marvin and Mabel; Ina, Aletha and Arthur; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Fuder and Clifford; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Theroux and family; Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Whidden and family; Lawrence and Helen Fuder; Mrs. I. Linquist and Isaac; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Halvorsen; Mr. and Mrs. Lovig, Sr. and family; Irma, Alfred and Allie; Mr. and Mrs. J. Fletcher; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gulbraa, Harold and Carl.

Mr. Henry Kasten; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kasten and Henry; Mr. and Mrs. R. McFarland; The Staff, Provincial Training School, Red Deer, Alta.; Mrs. A. James; Mr. Arthur Russell; Mrs. I. Vinjerud; Mr. and Mrs. R. Patterson and family; The Male Staff, Provincial Training School; C.F.A. of A. Branch 14, of Red Deer; The Simons Families; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Foxwell; Mr. J. A. Hedley; Irma Ladies Aid; John, Sophie and the girls; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Berreth; Sharon Ladies Aid; Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Frickelton; Mr. and Mrs. M. Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Larson; Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Jones; Mr. W. Clark.

Memorial wreaths in memory of Mrs. Fuder to Bethany Sunset Home, Bowlin, from: Mr. and Mrs. H. Knudson; Mr. and Mrs. L. Hol-

Hockey Notes

The Irma Junior Hockey team accompanied by a number of faithful supporters, journeyed to Holden, Saturday night and after a hard fought battle returned with a 2-1 victory.

The game was crammed with thrills for all as the score remained 1-0 in favor of Irma until late in the third period when Holden managed to tie the count. However Irma again took the offensive and broke the tie making the score 2-1.

Scorers for Irma were Parsons from McFarland and Elford, and Parsons unassisted.

Hockey fans of Irma are advised to see the game when Holden again tangles with the Irma boys. Watch for Notices.

CHURCH NOTICES

UNITED CHURCH

Irma—Sunday school 11 a.m.

Public worship 7:30 p.m. A hearty invitation is extended to all.

YOUNG PEOPLES MEETING

The last meeting of the Young Peoples was Jan. 8 and was under the leadership of Ross McFarland. It was a skating party and after several pleasant hours of skating the young people went to the church basement where they were served with delicious hot pancakes syrup and coffee. When lunch was eaten the President conducted a short business meeting. The meeting closed with God Save the King.

W.I. MEETING

The regular meeting of the Irma W.I. was held Friday, Jan. 9th at 2:30 p.m. in Hedley's Hall.

Would the members who have not yet handed in their quilt blocks please do so, to Mrs. Webster, as soon as possible. Money is to be raised to buy wool for the Merchant marine. Hostesses were: Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Long, and Mrs. Ott.

linsen; and Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Johnson and son.

To Canadian Lutheran Bible Institute from: Mr. and Mrs. O. Likness and family; Andrew Likness; J. B. Gulbraa and Knute; Mr. and Mrs. Berge Gulbraa; Mr. and Mrs. Dan Larson; Mr. and Mrs. Peter Nelson; Norman Fluevog; Mr. and Mrs. S. Nelson; Mrs. Anna Larson and Torlie; Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Erickson and family.

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— By —
ANNE TEDLOCK BROOKS

What has gone before: Tamar refuses to get excited when Ranny rides up to her house one afternoon widely announcing that gold has been found on the plantation. Her family and natives always said the gold was there. Ranny rushes off to the office of Dick Sheridan with a demand that Dick find a way to break the contract between Tamar's father and the Major. The young men discuss the situation and plan a party, but Ranny, to his dismay, learns that Dick is taking Tamar.

CHAPTER III

Ransome stared gloomily out of the window of his room at Stafford, the Todd estate.

He neither saw the proud peacock spread its multi-colored feathers and go strutting across the line of his vision nor would he have cared if he had.

Dick Sheridan had asked Tamar to go with him to his dinner party. Todd thought of Dick's good-natured round face, his soft brown eyes, and wondered what effect they might have upon Tamar.

He was to call for Dick and his sister, Selby, at Pinescrest in an hour, and then they would go by Shadwell for Tamar. Ransome had a vision of Tam's face as she looked upon the driver of the car. What would she say? He decided to park carefully, so that she would not know that it was he until she was ready to get into it with her escort.

Tamar, at Shadwell, hurried about

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with her dressing. She stopped once to go in and let her mother pull up the long zipper at the back of her white satin evening gown that increased her figure lovingly.

"I know you'll have a nice time with Richard. The Sheridans are such fine gentlemen."

Tamar was glad her mother could not see her wrinkle her nose. Dick was all right, she admitted. He had always been polite to her at Miss Lacey's dancing class when they were small. But he had always been such a fat little boy!

"And you're going to have dinner and dance at the Roistans? That should be fun," her mother went on. "This is such a lovely dress, Tamar. No one would guess that it's not new."

Tamar leaned swiftly over the bed and kissed the nearest pale cheek. "You're a sweet to tell me, mother. I'm going mostly to hear all that Dick has to say about the Cricket Hill. Dad would never tell his women folk just what happened."

The faded eyes on the pillow brightened. "Did he sound awfully excited, Tamar? I wonder why your father doesn't come in?"

"Oh, he probably is sitting down this moment at the inn eating with the Major. He ought to call. Shall I have Phoebe bring up your tray?"

"Yes, honey, if you will. I caught a whiff of baking ham a few minutes ago."

Tamar went out of the room to call to Phoebe. Her mother's throat caught, as she saw the slender figure bending over the old walnut banister. She was seeing Tamar in her little pink dress whirling down to land in her father's arms, back years and years ago. That was when Knox Randolph had just decided to mine the Cricket Hill.

She would always remember how her husband looked that day. He came in at noon, white and haggard. Phoebe had just called dinner. Knox had not eaten, but insisted that she and Tamar go on into the cool dining room.

She had swallowed her food hastily and hurried up to their bedroom. He sat in the leather chair, staring out of the window.

"It's no use, Maris. The bank closed its doors to-day. Every cent I intended to put in that equipment is gone."

"But the Rayburns—" she gasped.

"They're taking it hard, too."

"Knox, this is terrible. Not just for us, but think of all the small depositors."

"The Todds will profit from this. Their bank will be the only one here from now on. Ransome Todd is a smart man."

The next few years had been difficult for the Randolphs. They had sold most of their horses, leaving the stables and the paddocks with an empty look. They had gradually dropped out of the wealthy leisure class with servants and hospitality, to a modest life. But they had seen that Tamar had her good times, and even managed to give her two years in the seminary where the Southern girls aspired to go.

Maris Randolph closed her eyes. She knew that her husband and daughter had not wanted her to know all about their finances the last year. But without their knowledge, she had known. Even the white-starred face of Tahliahneka II. had disappeared from the meadow gate where he habitually stood for Tamar to bring his apple in the evening. They did not mention their selling him, so she could not tell them she had missed him.

Knox had worn the same business suit for months, keeping as well groomed as possible, and other economies were too noticeable, yet they did not discuss them.

The servants who remained were loyal. Phoebe and Aristotle and his puppy. The field hands were still living in the stone cabins, and at nights Maris could sometimes hear their songs from their little meeting house in the woods on the bank of the Chesapeake.

Phoebe's soft voice came from the hallway below, "Better let me tell it, honey. You'll spill that beautiful gown. Why! Miss Ranny can't you 'taint?"

"I'll take it, Phoebe. Mr. Todd is not taking me anywhere, now or any other time. I'm going to the Roistans with Dick."

Phoebe went toward the kitchen, grumbling and scowling.

Tamar carried the tray carefully up the stairs. Her lips closed scornfully. Ransome Todd with his high-handed ways needn't think that he could call her father a fool and get by with it! She smiled grimly and wondered what he'd think when he found out that Dick Sheridan had helped them with his handling the contracts for Major Towne.

Even as she thought these things, back in her mind was the picture of a little boy in a white linen suit bow-

ing before her, his blonde hair plastered back from his wide brow. "May I have the pleasure of this dance, Miss Randolph?" How they always giggled!

Tamar remembered, too, splashing through the waters of the Chesapeake, wading and catching craw-dads, and watching out for water moccasins. She took these memories resolutely from her mind. The stillness that had engulfed her since Ransome kissed her, she could not understand. Why need her heart beat so slowly every time she remembered his lips against hers? She saw again the imprint of her hand across his tanned cheek.

Tamar helped her mother with the tray and returned to her room to finish her toilet. She picked up the box that held the corsage that had come by special messenger out from town 30 minutes ago. Dick must have known that she'd wear white. She pinned the red roses carefully to her shoulder, stealing one out to tuck in her black curls behind her ear.

She heard a car on the other side of the house, dashed into her mother's room and pivoted about in the doorway.

"Oh, you look charming Tamar!" Maris felt pride leap into her voice. Tamar was the picture of that first Tamar Randolph whose portrait hung over the mantle in the drawing room.

Tamar's great-grandmother had been known as a beauty in the first days of Shadwell. The story of her tragic death still haunted them all.

Tamar kissed her mother's forehead. "I may be late, darling."

"Have a lovely evening and give my regards to Richard."

Dick was waiting for her in the reception hall. His dark head bare, his brown eyes lit with his slow smile. His figure, wadded in a few years, he definitely thick.

"You're looking mighty pretty, Tam."

"Thank you, Dick. Ready?"

They were across the portico and going down the flagstone walk to the waiting car when Tam stopped suddenly.

"Ransome Todd! Is he going, too?"

"Yes Rans and Selby. I wanted to surprise you."

She said sharply: "Well, you did. Hello, Selby," she greeted the girl in the front seat.

Dick's eyes grew wide. She didn't speak to Ransome. He threw a questioning look at his rival, who was suddenly engaged in deep conversation with Selby. Dick's eyebrows shot up in a sharp triangle. Ransome was really responsible for the new contracts for the Cricket Hill, and here was the person who would probably profit the most from his foresightfulness, and she was not on speaking terms with him.

Tamar suddenly found the most interesting things to talk about, and she sat close to Dick on the way to the popular new Roistans Inn, out on the highway about 10 miles from Shadwell.

As they drew near, she could see the lighted tavern sign and cars parked in blurred groups close to the native stone building. From its open windows soft music drifted through the venetian blinds.

Ransome made a ceremony out of the parking, and Selby said: "Don't you think this is too romantic for words, Tam? What's the big celebration anyway?" Brother said that this is a special occasion." Tamar leaned close to her, while they waited on the men. "Tamar, you wouldn't go and get yourself engaged—or," she whispered hopefully.

Tamar gasped. "I certainly would not!" she said emphatically. "Where would I have found anyone to marry, suddenly out of the blue?"

Out of the blue... The only new man she had seen in months was Christopher Sande the engineer at the Cricket Hill. A tingling sensation struck her. She remembered him again on the stairs at Shadwell. And saw him clearly now for the first time.

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Large Numbers Of Birds Spend Christmas In Canada

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Some of the more familiar birds that spend Christmas in Canada are English sparrows, starlings, chickadees, woodpeckers, jays, and grouse. They do not, like woodchucks, black bears, and various other mammals, hibernate in a state of reduced animation, but are alert and active in spite of low temperatures. A restricted supply of food, and shortened daylight periods in which to feed. Even the tiny chickadee manages to keep from freezing during a 16-hour winter night in sub-zero weather in the north woods.

Last year experienced observers, working singly or in groups in all parts of Nova Scotia to British Columbia, counted more than 30,000 birds of 123 different kinds. Similar surveys were made this Christmas, and will provide information useful to the Department of Mines and Resources and other agencies concerned with conservation of wild life.

GEMS OF THOUGHT

DILIGENCE

We want not time, but diligence, for great performances.—Dr. Samuel Johnson.

When the archer misses the centre of the target he turns around and seeks for the cause of his failure within himself.—Confucius.

Few men are lacking in capacity, but they fail because they are lacking in application.—Calvin Coolidge.

Success in life depends upon persistent effort, upon the improvement of moments more than upon any other one thing.—Mary Baker Eddy.

If you have great talents, industry will improve them; if but moderate abilities, industry will supply their deficiencies.—Samuel Smiles.

Industry is not only the instrument of improvement, but the foundation of pleasure.—Hugh Blair.

Gunner Saves Planes

Used Searchlight To Guide Them Through Fog To Base

Gunner Laurence Smith, member of a searchlight crew, used his light as a beacon to guide the crews of two British bombers to their base "somewhere in England."

The planes, returning from Germany, were lost in a fog, but Smith set them on their course by flashing the light in the direction of the base. He did this several times until the crews realized what he meant and both aircraft landed safely.

The average depth of the Antarctic Ocean around the Polar regions is about two miles.

The grafting of tomato and potato plants has produced a new starchless vegetable called the "topotao."

Scientists have figured that 180 tons of sunshine fall upon the earth each year.

Clemenceau Knew

Propheated That Germany Would Again Make Trouble For World

"The Germans," said Clemenceau, "cannot be trusted. They are always the same, and always will be. They will always have someone at their head who will lead them astray, for they must be led. That is their nature. Ten years ago it was the Kaiser; ten years from now it will be somebody else. Even if as a race they are all right, which I do not believe then the rest of the world must unite in saving them from the men they select as leaders."

"The Versailles Treaty is endeavoring to do that. If it fails, it will do so for one of two reasons: either it was not severe enough, or else the rest of the world will relax and not continue to impose its obligations. I am too old to see the fulfillment of my prophecy. I do not know if you will, but I know what I am saying will come to pass."

Tanks Of New Type

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Wheat Price Ceiling of \$1.26 Urged By Line Elevators

THE NORTH-WEST LINE ELEVATORS ASSOCIATION has submitted a further memorandum to Ottawa urging that special consideration be given the disabilities under which the wheat farmer is operating in any action taken by the Government in fixing a ceiling price for wheat.

THE LINE ELEVATORS are urging the Government to set the ceiling price for Western wheat at not less than \$1.26 per bushel basis One Northern delivered Montreal in conformity with the price ceiling set on Ontario wheat. This would make the ceiling price at Fort William and Vancouver a minimum of approximately \$1.15 per bushel.

ANY farmer wishing to secure a copy of the submission of the Line Elevators Association on this subject may obtain one from any Line Elevator Agent.

LINE ELEVATORS ASSOCIATION

ROYAL GEORGE HOTEL
Reserve Parking Lot for Guests at Rear of Hotel

Dear John P. I am writing to you to say how much I enjoyed my stay at the Royal George Hotel. The service was excellent and the food was superb. I will be back soon.

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"OTHER RANKS" GET SMART NEW UNIFORM

For Release 14-1-1942

Here is a sample of the "walking out dress" shortly to be issued to all Canadian soldiers to wear "off parade". To soldiers in the Army of a democracy off parade hours are essentially social occasions when the camp or barracks is forgotten and the amenities of civil life, voluntarily given up for the duration, again become important.

The new uniform is a "best suit" and this is what is issued above. The uniform, made of sturdy khaki serge, is quite like that worn by commissioned officers — just as commissioned officers in training wear the same uniform as their men. Composed of heated jacket worn with collar and brown tie, and slacks with which the shoes and black socks are worn, the "walking out dress" will be issued to all Canadians in the ranks within the next few weeks.

(Canadian Army Photo)

The LETTER BOX

Dear Sir:

The United Farmers of Alberta are, for the fourth year in succession, putting on an International Farmers' Good Neighbor radio broadcast during the convention to be held in the Macdonald hotel, Edmonton, January 20 to 23 inclusive. The time set for this broadcast will be Thursday evening, January 22. The dance will commence at 8:30 and the broadcast times are as follows: CBC, western network, 9:30 to 10 p.m. MST; CKUA, Edmonton, 9 p.m. to 12 p.m. MST, 580 kcs; CFCN, Calgary, 10:30 to 12 p.m. MST, 1010 kcs.

The program will include old-time and modern dance music, bagpipe selections, etc. and will be the occasion of fraternal greetings between the U.F.A. and the various other farm organizations of Canada and the United States as well. The U.F.A. believes that this is one way of bringing into reality that wonderful ideal of President Roosevelt in the policy of the Good Neighbor. We had a most successful night a year ago and hope to make this one the biggest and best yet. Among the messages received last year was a splendid congratulatory letter from the present vice-president of the United States, Henry A. Wallace, then U.S. secretary of agriculture. We also had fraternal greetings from the organized farmers in British Columbia, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario and the Maritimes. From our very good neighbors to the south we had greetings from the American Farm Bureau, The Grange, The Farmers' Union and from their various state organizations as well.

The opening session of the convention, Tuesday, January 20th, will be broadcast from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. MST, over stations CKUA Edmonton and CFCN Calgary.

We would appreciate it very much if, through the medium of your publication, you would inform your readers of these broadcasts. We say thank you in anticipation of your assistance in this matter.

Yours very truly,
U.F.A.,
Jack Sutherland,
Committee in Charge

WARTIME PRICES AND TRADE BOARD NEWS

Under new regulations of the wartime prices and trade board, all charge accounts owing at the end of this month, must be paid within ten days, otherwise the merchant is prohibited from selling the customer while he is in default, any of a long list of manufactured articles. If payment in full is not possible, the customer may pay one-third in cash and arrange to pay the balance in monthly instalments. Succeeding monthly accounts must be liquidated within ten days after the end of the month.

Certain exceptions in regard to obtaining goods on extended credit are made in the case of farmers, fishermen, prospectors, trappers and others engaged in seasonal industries of a primary or extractive nature.

Strange as it may seem, under the wartime price and trade board regulations, housewives will be enabled to purchase a considerable number of imported articles at less than actual cost. This is due to the difficulty of fixing prices which importers must pay in fluctuating wartime markets.

Here's how the board worked it out, taking tea for an example. Tea that sold for 75 cents a pound during the base period between Sept. 15 and Oct. 11, now may cost the storekeeper several cents a pound more than that to buy at wholesale.

The board requires him still to sell at 75 cents a pound, but he can claim against his wholesaler who claims against the importer. On his establishing the actual difference between past and present import prices, the board will pay the importer a subsidy for the amount. This principle will apply in the case of all imported goods which have risen in price to the importer, but which the board requires shall be sold to the ultimate consumer at prices in force between Sept. 15 and Oct. 11 last.

Parsley can be dried in a very slow oven, cooled, crumbled with the fingers, and stored in a covered jar for future use.

LOCALS

Mr. James Fenton is confined to his home suffering from an attack of arthritis.

Mrs. B. Haglow of Edmonton has been in Irma during the past week helping to take care of her mother, Mrs. A. H. Locke.

Mr. Robert English of Edmonton has been in Irma the past week auditing the books and accounts of Battle River municipal district and the village of Irma.

Mr. Jack Bishop took ill suddenly on Friday, January 9th, and was taken to the Viking hospital for treatment. Jack's health improved sufficiently for him to come home on the following Monday but he will be confined to his home for a while yet.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Ramsay arrived by bus in Irma on Sunday night to spend a short honeymoon with relatives and friends.

The first of another series of L.O.B.A. whist drives will be held in Hedley's hall on January 17. Miss Ruth Reeds is attending a business college in Edmonton.

The annual village meeting will be held this year on Friday evening, January 30.

Word was received recently that Mr. R. J. Stouffer of Newbrook, Alta., formerly of Jarrold, had died on January 10, funeral to be held at Newbrook on January 13. Mrs. N. S. Johnson of Killam, is a daughter of the deceased.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends and neighbors for the kindness and sympathy extended to us during our recent bereavement, also for the beautiful floral tributes and memorial gifts received.

N. L. Fuder and family

FOR SALE—Man's buffalo coat, and Harris tweed suit, size 38, both in good shape; also a number of good fiction books. Enquire of Mrs. A. Greenberg, phone 40, Irma, Alta.

STRAYED—1 Blue mare with sucking colt, 1 black mare with sucking colt, Mares branded, reverse F and reverse L on right flank. Ten dollars reward offered for recovery of these animals. F. C. Lukens, Irma 16, 23, 30p

IRMA CURLERS DEFEAT VIKING IN TWO GAMES

Irma curlers visited Viking last Saturday evening and took two straight from the Viking club. Mr. Berreth skipped the rink, his son Clifford playing third, George Ott, second and Jack Fletcher, lead. The Viking ring was composed of Dr. McBride, H. C. Thunell, Sandy Ross, and G. A. Loney.

Irma led most of the way in both games and ended in a lop sided score. Skip Berreth came through in the pinches with some fine shots and received good support from his trusty sweepers. The Viking veterans tried hard to take the measure of the visitors who have no home rink to curl, but they were definitely out of the picture, as hard as they could to lay a couple of big ends to even up the score. Monsieur Berreth was right on hand and made some bonspiel shots to keep his rock heavers ahead.

The curlers were entertained to lunch at the home of Dr. McBride after the games. Irma curlers have had several games at Wainwright during the past month and have held their own with the buffalo town rinks.

Irma has been invited to play again at Viking in the near future. It's a great game and a great sport for young and old.

SHARON LUTHER LEAGUE

The Sharon Luther League had a two fold programme on December 31. At 8:00 p.m. everyone gathered in the church basement for the social part of the program. Everyone participated in the games which were enjoyed by all.

Before lunch a short business session was held. The delegates for the convention to be held at Bayley, January 16, 17 and 18 were elected. Mrs. O. Likness, Solvig Steffensen, Curtis Satre and Oren Spring are the delegates.

After lunch, at 1:00 p.m. everyone gathered upstairs for the Watch-Night service. The topics, "To Go Forward with Christ with our Tongues, with our Hearts and in our Interests" were well taken by Leonard Peterson, Harold Gulbra and Ralph Erickson.

BATTLE RIVER M. D. No. 423 NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF BATTLE RIVER, No. 423

Whereas under the provisions of Section 26 of the Tax Recovery Act, 1938, the following parcels of land may be leased from the Municipal District of Battle River, No. 423, for a term of one or three years as the case may be. Applications will be considered at every regular meeting of the council at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon until disposed of.

N 1/4 SW	3	45	7	4	NE	2	44	9	4
NW	5	45	7	4	NW	2	44	9	4
SE	5	45	7	4	SE	2	44	9	4
SW	5	45	7	4	SW	3	44	9	4
SE	6	45	7	4	NW	4	44	9	4
SW	12	45	7	4	SW	28	45	9	4
(1 acre)					NE	28	45	9	4
SW	25	45	7	4	SE	28	45	9	4
NE	27	45	7	4	NW	28	45	9	4

Redemption may be effected by payment of all arrears of taxes and costs at any time prior to lease.

Chas. Wilbraham, Secretary-Treasurer.

Bids will be received by the council of the Municipal District of Battle River No. 423 in a public sale manner for the purchase of the following lands:

NE	27	45	7	4	NW	12	44	7	4
NE	2	44	9	4	S 1/4 SW	12	44	7	4
NW	2	44	9	4	ALL	18	45	7	4
SE	2	44	9	4	NE	34	45	8	4
NE	28	45	8	4	SE	34	45	8	4
SE	28	45	8	4	SW	34	45	8	4
SW	28	45	8	4	SW	34	45	8	4
N 1/4 NW	28	45	8	4	SE	9	44	9	4
S 1/4 NW	28	45	8	4	SE	6	45	7	4
SE	5	44	9	4	N 1/4	16	45	7	4
NW	6	44	9	4	NW	22	46	7	4
NW	7	44	9	4	SW	25	45	7	4

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CHAS. WILBRAHAM, Sec.-Treas.

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Farmers are now beginning to make preparations for next year's crops. A little money invested in a few bushels of the Best Registered or Certified Seed, inspected and sealed by the Government in sacks will return big dividends in the future. Farmers should see the nearest Searle Agent for high quality seeds at reasonable prices.

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U. F. C. NOTES

The regular monthly meeting of the Irma U.F.C. local was held in Hedley's hall on Monday evening January 5th. Owing to the cold weather and poor roads there was only a small crowd out. However a full slate of business was transacted and four members paid up for 1942. Canvassers were appointed to make a house to house canvass in order to get as large a membership as possible. A. C. Archibald and Klien Seilsted to cover North and West of town, Ben Oldham and Charlie Savard for North and East, Edwin Sanders for East, J. Jackson, A. E. Blakely and R. D. Smallwood for South of the tracks. Delegates were also elected to attend the Provincial Convention in Edmonton on January 20 to 22 inclusive.

The next meeting will be in Hedley's hall the first week in Feb. arrangements are being made to have either a speaker or program for this occasion, watch for further announcements in this paper.

What The Air Waves Are Saying Over Station CJCA

With Frank Johnson Well, they tell us that all good things come to an end—and this is just to tell you that this is the last column I shall be writing. The reason? Just that I'm leaving for eastern Canada. However, I'm leaving the job in very competent hands—and very nice hands, too—they belong to Miss Thora Magee. She will continue giving you the lowdown on the station, programs and people; and I hope she'll enjoy it as much as I have.

A pretty little miss who sings cowboy songs and rides the air waves every Tuesday and Thursday evening is Dorothy Whyte, the singing star of Hoodown by Ogden, heard at 9 o'clock over CJCA. If you like old-time songs and lovely ballads performed with ease and finish that only outstanding talent and a good measure of hard work can produce, you'll enjoy Hoodown by Ogden.

Jimmy Murphy, sound effects man on Sunday Silver Theatre at 4 o'clock, produced the sound of an airplane in a power dive so accurately that producer Ted Sherman wanted to know how such a perfect reproduction was obtained. The engineer explained that he

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